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House Resolution No. 146

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Travis Drew Waddell of Troop 318 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on February 6, 2005, at United Methodist Church in Lexington; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Travis through the billets of Assistant Patrol Leader and Quartermaster; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Travis earned him the Arrow of Light, Firebuilder status in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, a Coup of the Long Trail, and thirty-two merit badges which are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Travis applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including six sessions of summer camp, many overnight camps, a High Adventure trip to Canada, and a High Adventure trip to Key West, Florida; and

Whereas, Travis completed an Eagle Project which consisted of removing brush and debris near Madonna of the Trail before its rededication to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait which justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Travis Waddell during his fifteen-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Travis Drew Waddell, son of Steve and Liz Waddell of Lexington, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Joe Aull
District No. 26
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 146, adopted January 19, 2005.